CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Section 91

1. Original Charter section approved by voters April 7, 1931

Section 91, GENERAL RESERVE ACCOUNT. The Council shall create and maintain a permanent revolving account, to be known as the General Reserve Account, for the purpose of keeping the payment of the running expenses of the City on a cash basis. Said account shall be maintained in an amount sufficient to meet all legal demands against the treasury for the first four months or other necessary period of each fiscal year prior to the collection of taxes. The Council shall have no power to transfer from the General Reserve Account to any other account or fund any moneys except such sum or sums as may be required for the purpose of placing such account or fund as nearly as possible on a cash basis, and except in the event of a public emergency, when it shall be determined by a vote of at least five (5) members of the Council that such moneys shall be expended in order to insure the safety and lives and property of the City or its inhabitants. It shall be the duty of the Council to provide that all moneys so transferred from the General Reserve Account be returned thereto on or before the end of the fiscal year in which said transfers are made; provided, that in any fiscal year in which the total balance in said General Reserve Account exceeds thirty per cent of the total amount of the general budget for that year, the Council may appropriate such excess for any City purpose without returning the same. (See subsection (h) Section 69.)

2. Amendment voted 11-06-1962; effective 01-21-1963

Section 91: General Reserve Fund

The Council shall create and maintain a permanent revolving fund, to be known as the General Reserve Fund, for the purpose of keeping the payment of the running expenses of the City on a cash basis. Said fund shall be maintained in an amount sufficient to meet all legal demands against the treasury for the first four months or other necessary period of each fiscal year prior to the collection of taxes. This fund may be expended only in the event of a public emergency when it shall be determined by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the members elected to the Council that such expenditures are necessary in order to insure the safety and lives and property of the City or its inhabitants.

3. Amendment voted 06-07-2016; effective 07-18-2016

See current Charter.